

# Weekly Newsletter

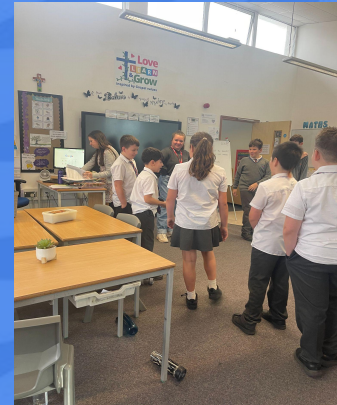
## 27 November 2023

**We are committed to safeguarding children.**

Designated Child Protection Officer: Amelia Harding  
Deputy Child Protection Officers: Kate Davenport, Lauren Stone  
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# What we did last Week!

The children in Y6 had a visit from a representative from Taleblazers; they participated in a workshop on road safety. It was really informative and great for the children to think carefully about how to keep safe as they become more independent in walking to and from school on their own. The final part of the workshop involved the children performing scenarios in groups to demonstrate different messages linked with road safety.



# What we did last Week!

Another great afternoon for our girls' football club, the girls started their league fixtures with two wins and a draw.

The team played some exceptional football keeping the ball on the floor and worked well as a team. Brilliant saves by goalkeeper Sid, Defensive partnership Lily and Donatella were both very composed and brilliant at defending our team goal. Naeto, Nadia and Charlotte with great passing to help set up goals and we're very good at supporting the team's attack and defence. Goalscorers Willow and Zenna didn't stop running and were a constant threat to the opposite team's goal.

Well done team!



## This week's Gospel Value

### Courage



Throughout the Bible, God commands us to fear not, to be of good cheer, and to have courage in our life. Sometimes we doubt our own strength and belief in ourselves.

*Can you show courage this week by standing up for something or someone?*

- *You could speak out if something isn't fair  
or*
- *Tell someone if you think they are being unkind*

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for making us free.  
Thank you for lifting us up when we get stuck,  
For protecting us when we get scared,  
And comforting us when we fall.

Help us to always listen to your voice  
and have the courage to be guided by  
you when we have choices to make.

Amen





## Holy Angels After school Club

A reminder that, as usual, Holy Angels Pre-school will finish at 3pm on the final day of term, Friday 15th December 2023.

After School Club will not be available.

## Holy Angels After school Club



If you require an After school club place for your child in Holy Angels Pre-school, it is important that you book them in prior to your child arriving at the pre-school door. After School club has a maximum number of children it can accept and there are occasions when it has been full and places are not available. Also, for your child's safety, it is important that Pre-school know to expect your child.

Further to the above, please let the school know if you have booked your child into After School club at Holy Angels Pre-school. Again, for their safety we need to know where the children are going at the end of each day.

# Primary applications

The application period for children born between 1.9.19 and 31.8.20, to make a primary school application, is 1st November 2023 until 15th January 2024

Applications received after 15th January will be considered late and may be at a disadvantage.

<https://www.torbay.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/admissions/primary-admissions/>



# Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Primary School

## OPEN DAYS

*Will your child be joining us in September 2024?*

*Or are you thinking about our school for your child?*

If so, we would love to meet you!

Choosing a school for your child is a big decision so as a smaller school we like to offer a personalised approach for parents.

Parents are invited to come for a personal tour of our lovely school and to meet the Headteacher to talk about your child and what our school can offer.

All you need to do is email [admin@olota.uk](mailto:admin@olota.uk) or call 01803 613095 to make an appointment at a time that suits you!



Describe the best day ever.

Would you rather be able to go forward in time or go back in time?



**SPEAKING UP!**

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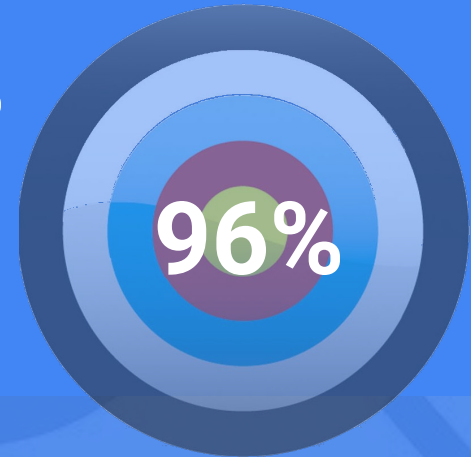




Whole school attendance this week 89.5%

Current overall attendance 92.4%

This week's trend ↓2.5%



# House Points - Weekly



Bevan House

443

Stephenson House

291

Pankhurst House

351

Thompson House

289



# Awards last week

## Class R

Regan

Athena

Felix

## Class 1

Freddie

Joshua

Ebube

## Class 2

Clayton

Nevaeh

Alarna

# Awards last week

## Class 3

Autumn  
Adam  
Jeremy

## Class 4

Beren  
Gerard  
Dawid

## Class 5

Zak  
Godwin  
Meelie

## Class 6

Ayomide  
Naeto  
Peyton



# Attendance Reminders

If your child is sick please ring on the first day of absence by 9.00 a.m. and every other day thereafter. If you don't do this we will ring you as we are required to check on the welfare of our pupils. You must inform us of your child's symptoms.

Evidence of all medical appointments must be provided.



# School Meals

The cost of a school meal is currently £2.65.

All meals must be ordered by midnight the day before via ParentPay.

Please note that parents whose children are entitled to Free school meals or universal infant free school meals must also order their children's lunches in advance.

# Autumn - After School Clubs Yr R-6

Monday - Boys football 3,4,5,6

Tuesday- Dodgeball 4,5,6-1 space left

Wednesday - Tag Rugby 4,5,6

Thursday - Girls football 3,4,5,6-full

Friday - Multi Skills/Sports R,1,2,3-full

The clubs are free and are available to book online via your ParentPay account.



## Nut free school!



Please be reminded that the school is a nut free zone.

Please check your child's packed lunch before sending it in. Children are not permitted to eat products containing nuts on the premises.

Nuts and peanuts can cause allergic reactions, which are sometimes severe, resulting in anaphylaxis. This can be life-threatening.

We insist on the school being a nut free zone to protect the children in our school who have this life threatening allergy.

Thank you for your understanding.

# Library Opening



The library is open every day at hometime. Please feel free to pop in after school to choose books with your child.

We have books for sharing for younger children and the children's Accelerated Reader books.

Remember that research tells us that the more children read for pleasure the higher their academic attainment will be.

[More information here!](#)



**Church Of  
Assumption,  
Abbey Road**



# Christmas Party



You are invited to join us, for this free event on  
**Saturday 2nd December from 2PM-4.30PM.**

Be part of the Nativity (costumes provided OR bring own)

Santa's Grotto

Carol singing

Christmas party

NB : parents/carers need to supervise their child/  
children

**Please email [torquay-abbeyroad@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:torquay-abbeyroad@prcdtr.org.uk) or ring  
01803 294142 if you would like to join us**



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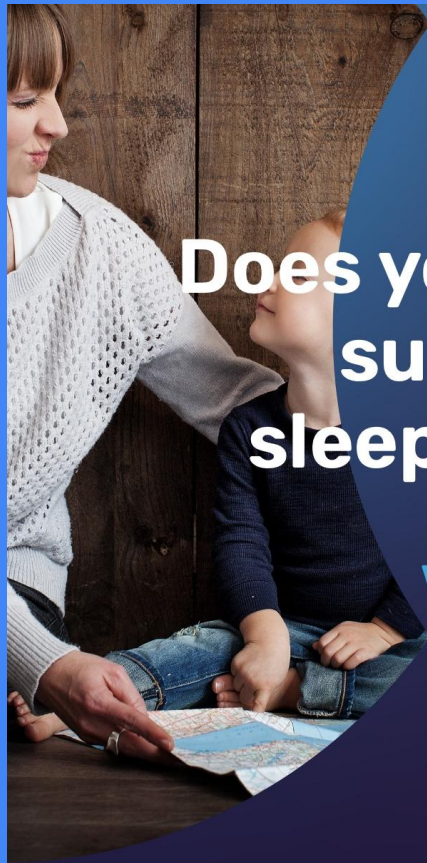
AN ENCHANTING EVENING OF CHORAL MUSIC,  
FEATURING A REPERTOIRE OF SACRED AND  
SECULAR SONGS SPANNING ADVENT,  
CHRISTMAS AND BEYOND

Saturday 9th December 2023  
7pm

THE CHURCH OF  
OUR LADY HELP OF  
CHRISTIANS & ST  
DENIS  
PRIORY ROAD  
ST MARYCHURCH  
TORQUAY  
TQ14NZ

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UNDER 16S FREE  
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PROCEEDS TO  
CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY PLYMOUTH  
& CHURCH FUNDS



the national  
**sleep**  
helpline

# Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle  
with your child's  
bedtime?

Will your child  
not sleep in  
their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

 **03303 530 541**  
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm  
Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am



## PARENTS CLUB

**FRIDAYS 9:30AM - 11AM**  
**PALACE AVENUE, PAIGNTON**

*Free Support Group for neurodivergent parents,  
those with sensory issues or with suspected  
neurodivergence and parents of neurodivergent  
children under 18.*

*Content to be decided by the group. Be as social or as  
quiet as you like.*

**contact: [admin@therapyservicesouthwest.co.uk](mailto:admin@therapyservicesouthwest.co.uk)**

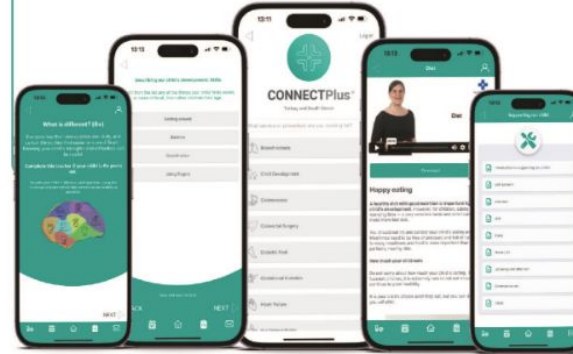
Torbay and South Devon NHS foundation trust have launched a new Child Development app. It's full of collected tips from parents and professionals on how to describe and support need.

The app is aimed at parents of children of primary school age and younger and is accessible to families in Torbay and South Devon.



DOWNLOAD THE

## CONNECTPlus App: Child Development



- ✓ Access useful tools, information and videos on how to support your child
- ✓ Find advice and guidance from other parents
- ✓ Track your child's development and share with others
- ✓ Explore a range of valuable links and resources



Scan here to  
download

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App Store

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The Torbay Community Helpline is a one-stop-shop for access to advice, information and referral to a whole range of support in the community and beyond.

Call or use the online form to ask for help or signposting about anything, including:

- Benefits, debt, and finance
- Housing issues
- Activities and groups in your area
- Mental and physical wellbeing
- Caring for someone
- Accessing training and skills
- Domestic abuse
- Volunteering

If you need to speak to someone face to face, you can also visit the Community Cafe and Help Hub at Temperance Street, Torquay (down the slope next to McDonalds in Union Street). They are open Tuesday to Friday, from 10am to 3pm.

# Torbay Community Helpline

## One call - that's all



Contact us:

Phone: 01803 446022

Online form: [bit.ly/torbayhelpline](http://bit.ly/torbayhelpline)

Monday-Friday: 10am-6pm

Saturday: 11:30am-12:30pm



# Upcoming Events

Friday 8th December	EY/KS1 Nativity 2pm
Thursday 14th December	Christmas dinner and party day
Friday 15th December	Celebration assembly 2.30 p.m. by invitation only
Monday 18th December - Monday 1st January	School closed. Christmas Break
Tuesday 2nd January	School reopens



Contact us:

Our Lady of the Angels, Queensway, Torquay TQ2 6DB

Tel: 01803 613095

Email: [admin@olota.uk](mailto:admin@olota.uk)

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